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Bringing the County Closer to You!

May 15, 2015

UCAB Joint Committee Meeting
Monday, May 18 7:00pm-9:00pm
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: Aging in Montgomery County

*Guests: **Dr. Jay Kenney, Chief, Division on Aging & Disability Services***
Odile Brunetto, Director, Area Agency on Aging/Senior Comm. Svcs.

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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County Executive Ike Leggett formally announced that he sent legislation to the County Council today that will transfer the major functions of County economic development and business promotion to a private-sector-led, non-profit entity.

Under the proposed legislation, both the County's Department of Economic Development (DED) and the non-profit Montgomery Business Development Corporation (MBDC), a non-profit funded by the County to assist with business marketing, would be folded into a new 501-C-3 non-profit corporation. That corporation would be directed by an 11-member board chosen from the private sector, appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council.

The new corporation would be funded by the County and have responsibility for business attraction and retention, marketing and fostering entrepreneurship.

"This is an important decision that I believe is in the long-term best interests of Montgomery County's economic health and competitiveness," said County Executive Ike Leggett, who was joined in Rockville by business leaders supporting the bold move. To read more about this decision, please click here

*See **Press Release**!   Frequently Asked Questions (**pdf**)*

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Montgomery County Council Reaches Agreement on $5.07 Billion Total Operating Budget for FY 2016;   Budget Has 1.7 Percent Increase

Council President George Leventhal: 'Budget Effectively Addresses the Top Priority Concerns of County Residents'

Education, Public Safety, 'Safety Net' Are Priorities, Property Taxes Are at Charter Limit, $692 Tax Credit for Homeowners, Library Funding Increased, Public Election Funding Provided, Childcare Expansion and Enhancement Supported.

See press release at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/news/pr/pr_details.html

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Traffic Circle at Executive Office Building to Close 16 Months for Extensive Rehabilitation and Improvement Work
May 15, 2015 until September, 2016

The Executive Office Building Traffic Circle (EOBTC) at 101 Monroe St., Rockville will be closed to vehicular traffic from approximately Friday, May 15 until September 2016 while the area's surface and support structure are demolished, reinforced and reconstructed. *Pedestrian access will still be possible to the surrounding buildings.*

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Are You a Senior Looking to Explore the World of Public Transportation?
Jewish Council for the Aging
12320 Parklawn Drive, Rockville

May 20   10:00am-1:30pm Classroom instruction (with lunch provided!)
May 21   10:00am-1:00pm Receive a Senior SmarTrip Card & enjoy free bus and subway group trip

- Take advantage of free and discounted bus rides in Montgomery County.
- Learn how to use public transportation with JCA's "Ride Smart" travel training program.
- Learn how to travel to destinations of your choice; read bus schedules and Metro System maps; understand fare schedules.
- Learn how to save money by using a Senior SmarTrip card!

Call 301-738-3252, or e-mail ConnectaRide@AccessJCA.org, to reserve your seat or register for future dates and locations.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting #2
DARBY STORE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
Owens Local Park | Park Activity Building
19900 Beallsville Road, Beallsville MD 20832
Saturday, June 6, 2015 | 9:00 am

Maryland National Capital Park Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) has issued a **Request for Proposals (RFP)** to lease the Darby Store, located in the Beallsville Historic District, 19801 Darnestown Road, Beallsville, MD 20839.

A second mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will be held **Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 9:00am.** The meeting will be held at Owens Local Park, 19900 Beallsville Road, Beallsville, MD 20839. Representatives from M-NCPPC will be available to answer questions, explain the process used to select a tenant and outline conditions for use of the historic site. M-NCPPC intends to lease the store to a qualified end user to reinvigorate the building while keeping in mind its historic character.
If you attended the first mandatory pre-bid meeting in April, you are NOT required to attend this second meeting unless you wish to do so.

For a proposal to be considered, potential tenants **must attend this pre-bid meeting.**

For further information, please visit montgomeryparks.org or call 301-495-2595.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Community Meeting on Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park
June 3   7:00pm- 9:00pm
Rocky Hill Middle School (Cafeteria)
22401 Brick Haven Way, Clarksburg

Please join Montgomery Parks at a community meeting to learn more about the next phase for the development of Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park, 16315 Skylark Road, Clarksburg, MD 20871.

Parks staff will present the proposed Facility Plan for Expansion of the Active Recreation Area which includes relocating the carousel to the park and incorporating other amenities near the existing ball fields. The goal of the facility plan is to create a family destination as proposed in the recently approved Master Plan Update.

For additional information about the project, or to review a summary of comments and presentation materials, please visit **parkprojects.org**

For the meeting, if special requirements are needed under the Americans with Disabilities Act: please call Montgomery Parks Management Services (301) 495-2540 or Maryland Relay 1-800-735-3258

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Leggett Names Appointees to Head Departments of Correction and Rehabilitation, Fire-Rescue Service, Procurement; Also Announces Selection for New Post of Development Ombudsman

See details at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14851

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New School Immunization Requirements for 2015-2016 School Year Announced

Montgomery County health officials urge parents of students entering seventh and eighth grade to be sure their students show proof of vaccination against Tetanus-diphtheria-acellular pertussis (Tdap) and Meningococcal meningitis (MCV4) prior to the start of the 2015-2016 school year. Students not in compliance with Maryland vaccination requirements will be excluded from attending school until they provide documentation of the required Tdap and MCV immunizations. The requirements are in place throughout the State of Maryland.

School health staff is currently reviewing student health records and parents of current six grade students received a letter recently advising them of the new requirements. **Parents should contact their doctor to make sure their child is properly immunized and submit a copy of the documentation to the child's school health nurse as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, August 31, 2015, the first day of the 2015-2016 school year.**

Free Tdap and MCV4 immunizations will be offered to incoming seventh grade students on Monday, June 15 from 1pm-4pm. To see the list of locations and more information, visit
http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14815

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Did You Know?

Germantown was named the "25th Most Diverse City in America" in a recent study from the leading personal finance outlet WalletHub.com. You can find the full study here: http://wallethub.com/edu/most-diverse-cities/12690/.

As a final installment to their series on diversity studies, WalletHub once again examined the demographic profiles of the 230 most populated U.S. cities to find the most diverse among them. They did so by analyzing each city across four major categories of measure: economic class diversity, ethno-racial and linguistic diversity, economic diversity and household diversity.

Diversity in Germantown (1=Most; 115=Avg.)

- **12th** – Income Diversity
- **4th** – Racial & Ethnic Diversity
- **10th** – Language Diversity
- **9th –** Region of Birth Diversity
- **48th –** Household Size Diversity

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County Council http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/csltmpl.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp
Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/department/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:
Department of Public Libraries http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library
Department of Recreation http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp
Department of Transportation http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html
Department of Environmental Protection http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp
Department of Permitting Services http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx
Montgomery County Volunteer Center http://www.montgomeryserves.org
Office of Community Partnerships http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html
Commission for Women http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html